

ORDER NO. 655

FOREST DEVELOPMENT ROADS

And

OCCUPANCY AND USE

OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to Title 36 CFR 261.50(a) and(b), the following acts are prohibited in or on the following National Forest System roads, portions of roads or campgrounds as described below and shown on the attached map within the Methow Valley Ranger District of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest.

1. **Use by any type of traffic prohibited by the order.** For the purpose of this order, this restriction prohibits all motorized travel on that portion of the Twisp River Road No. 4440 beyond a gate located in T34N, R18E, Sec.11. [36 CFR 261.54 (b)].
2. **Entering or using a developed recreation site or portion thereof.** For the purpose of this order, this restriction prohibits the occupancy and use of the Roads End Campground at the terminus of Twisp River Road No. 4440 (T34N, R18E, Section 11). [36 CFR 261.58(b)].


This restriction is effective between September 6 and October 6 each year.

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of on official duty.

These prohibitions are in addition to the general prohibitions in 36 CFR Part 261, subpart A.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington, this 11th day of September, 2007.


REBECCA LOCKETT HEATH
Forest Supervisor
Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. (16 USC 551 and 18 USC 3559 and 3571).

Assessment of Need and Enforcement Plan

1. Background. This is an order that is implemented annually to protect bull trout spawning habitat that is in close proximity to the road and campground listed in the area closure. NEPA was done previously to install the gate and establish the annual closure after Labor Day and prior to the rifle deer hunt season.

2. Intent of Subpart B order. One week prior to the closure on September 6, signs are posted in the campground. Campground is visited and public contacts made the day before the closure. On closure date, gate is closed and signs posted. Gate is re-opened October 6, prior to the opening of the rifle deer hunt season.

3. Enforcement Plan. The following activities need to occur to implement this special order in a manner that results in public acceptance and safety:

| <u>Action</u> | <u>Responsible Official</u> | <u>Date</u> |
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| Prepare proposed order | Appropriate Staff with LE&I input | 9/11/2007 |
| Review proposed order | SLEO or Supervisory Special Agent | 9/11/2007 |
| Approve proposed order | Forest Supervisor | |
| Post order in accordance with 36 CFR 261.51 | District Staff Officer and Staff | |
| Prepare news release for local media describing the order and management objectives | District Ranger PAO LEO | |
| Describe implementation/action taken for order, such as planned patrols, enforcement strategies, tolerance, contacts to local public agencies. Implement plan. | Appropriate Staff LEO/field going personnel | |

Enforcement Plan approved for implementation:

Shawn Worley (behind bar) 9/11/07
FOREST SUPERVISOR DATE